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FIGHT CONTINUES FOR HILL IN THE ARGONNE FOREST

HILL NUMBER TWO EIGHTY-FIVE TAKEN BY STORM BY GERMANS EARLY IN THE WEEK, WAS RECAPTURED BY THE FRENCH TODAY, PARIS ANNOUNCES

German Submarine U-51, Which Eluded British Fleet at Gibraltar and is Credited With Sinking Several Allied Ships Including British Battleship Majestic, has been Sunk in the Black Sea by Russian Warships—Big British Cruiser is Standing Guard Outside of New York Harbor, Wearing Novel War Disguise—Vessel Painted so as to Appear as a Much Smaller Vessel—Welch Coal Miners Still on Strike Today, But Government Expects to Bring About Terms of Peace—Germans to Attack Warsaw from the North.

Paris, July 16.—Hill Number 285 in the Forest of Argonne, which was stormed by the Germans early this week has been recaptured by the French, the war office announces today.

The capture of this hill was an important German step in the attempt to advance on the fortress of Verdun.

German Submarine is Sunk
London, July 16.—German submarine U-51 is reported to have been sunk in the Black Sea by Russian war ships. This is the submarine which eluded the British fleet at Gibraltar and is credited with sinking several allied vessels, including the British battleship Majestic.

Continue Drive on Warsaw
London, July 16.—The Germans announce that they have crossed the Windau river in Courland in their Russian Baltic campaign. They also said they are continuing to make progress in their new drive from the north upon Warsaw.

The latest Russian statements say that their attacks in this drive have been repulsed.

The British announce that the British and French forces have occupied an important town in the Kameruns, a German colony in western Africa.

A Paris official statement does not mention the capture of hill 285 claimed in other French dispatches today.

The Germans claim that all French attacks there have been repulsed but admit that the French have captured a trench near the Souchez cemetery.

British Cruiser on Guard
New York, July 16.—A British cruiser is standing guard off New York harbor wearing a novel war disguise. One side is in the ordinary dull grey. The other side has a silvery white paint, making it appear to have a clipper bow and appear to be much smaller than she is. Revolving screens hide two of her funnels.

Miners Still on Strike
London, July 16.—The Welsh miners strike is still firm today, but it is believed that the government will soon bring peace.

Germans Attacking Warsaw
London, July 16.—Abandoning for the moment their attempt to outflank Warsaw from the south, the Germans probably under Field Marshal von Hindenburg, who is reported to have said a few days ago that he would shortly astonish the world, have renewed their attack on the Polish capital from the north.

They have not only captured a large number of prisoners south of Kolno, according to the report issued by Berlin yesterday, but have occupied Przasnysz, a fortified town fifty miles north of Warsaw, which was taken by von Hindenburg in his great drive from east Prussia last winter, but was retaken by the Russians in their counter offensive.

WEATHER FORECAST
New Orleans, La., July 16.—The weather forecast for Oklahoma is thunder showers this afternoon; generally fair to night and Saturday, with some what lower temperature to night in the east and central portions.

CALL MEETING OF CITY COMMISSIONERS

ASSEMBLED TO HEAR PROTESTS BUT NONE WERE FORTHCOMING—QUESTION OF GUARDING CITY LAKE DISCUSSED.

At a call meeting of the board of city commissioners last night, the paving of B street, southwest, was the principal matter under discussion. The meeting was called for the purpose of hearing protests, if any, from the citizens of this paying district, at the appraisement returned by the board of appraisers appointed by the city recently. None appeared to protest against their report, and it was allowed to stand.

The question of regulating fishing at the city lake was also discussed, and it was decided to draft an ordinance covering the number and kind of fish that may be taken from the lake in any one day, and it also was decided to commission the keeper and his deputy as officers, with power to make arrests on the city property, the same as if they were in the city limits.

The city has an ordinance covering some of the phases of this question, but it is not complete enough, and another will be drawn and put in effect.

MAY ESTABLISH RURAL FREE DELIVERY

PLENTY OF TERRITORY THAT MIGHT BE PROFITABLY COVERED OUT OF THIS CITY—IT MAY HAPPEN SOON.

After the new federal building is completed and the postoffice has been established therein, about the next move will be an aggressive one for rural free delivery routes out of the city.

There are several communities that would enjoy such a system, but no definite movement has ever been started to secure one, and it is problematical what community will be the first to start.

The minimum length of a rural route is twenty-five miles, with one hundred families to be supplied. In some instances star routes have been abandoned in favor of the rural free delivery routes, and this might apply to routes out of this city, as almost every direction is covered with star routes at present.

The rural free delivery has proven a boon to rural communities, and has done wonders toward developing the country. Many are anxious to have routes out of this city, and within the next year their wishes may be gratified.

HANDSOMEST LODGE QUARTERS IN OKLAHOMA

The work of beautifying the Elks home in this city is rapidly progressing. The entire upper floors have been remodeled. Beamed ceilings add much to the attractiveness of the lodge room, the banquet hall, and the reception rooms on the second floor. All the walls are being repapered and all the wood work is being handsomely finished. New furniture has been added, and the entire hall is being given an appearance that will make the Ardmore Elks' home equal if not superior to any in the state.

The house committee has decided upon Thursday, July 29 as the date for a grand re-opening, which will consist of a reception and ball.

More definite announcement as to arrangements, etc., will appear later.

PLAY BALL AT LORENA PARK NEXT SUNDAY

ARDMORE'S AMATEUR TEAM WILL PLAY EXHIBITION BALL BEFORE LEAVING FOR TEXAS SERIES.

Cecil Harvey has organized an amateur baseball team in Ardmore which has been playing successful ball. The team has triumphed over Marietta, it beat Ringling two games; got the best of Madill, and at Gainesville it divided honors in a two-game series. This team will go to Saint Jo, Tex., next Tuesday for a series of three games. The boys have become so accustomed to winning that they have the courage to meet any of the league teams.

A practice game will be played at Lorena park next Sunday afternoon at 3:30. The baseball park fence is down this year, and the small boy—and the big one, too, for that matter—can watch the ball game to his heart's desire without digging up the quarter to see the game.

Perry Maxwell of the Dornick Hills Country club will have his power mowing machine cut all the weeds in the baseball park tomorrow and Mr. Harvey and his crowd will see that the grounds are rolled and put in good playing condition.

Look out for Ardmore's anniversary on July 28! The baseball boys are arranging for a big game with a team in a neighboring town. There will be some good playing on that day, and Ardmore rooters will be there by the hundred. There will be in addition to baseball an athletic contest among the schools of the county, a gun club contest, and the usual picnic entertainments.

Every visitor to the city will be shown a pleasant time, and hundreds of families will take their dinners to the park in the evening.

The time is rather short to organize a big picnic, but there will be enough energy put in behind it to make it the most pleasant affair Ardmore ever had as an anniversary celebration.

COUNTERFEIT MONEY AND BONDS FOUND

POLICE RAID CHICAGO ROOMING HOUSE AND FIND BONDS AND MONEY, ALL COUNTERFEIT, TOTALING \$250,000.

Chicago, Ill., July 16.—What are apparently false Minnesota state bonds and counterfeit currency, totalling a quarter of a million dollars, were discovered by the police today in a west side rooming house.

The counterfeiters were detected through a disturbance they raised by objecting to paying room rent.

BELIEVES LAST NOTE OPENS WAY

GERMAN AMBASSADOR TELLS LANSING HE IS HOPEFUL OF AN EARLY SETTLEMENT.

RUPTURE NOT LIKELY

Bernstorff Thinks Danger of Rupture Between United States Has Been Lessened by Today's Conference with Lansing.

Washington, D. C., July 16.—German Ambassador Bernstorff today told Secretary Lansing that he believed Germany's last note opens the way for a settlement of the submarine warfare dispute, freedom of the seas and British policy through mediation.

He proposed that the United States offer to mediate between England and Germany.

He said he is convinced that there will be no repetition of the Lusitania disaster.

He said he believed that the danger of rupture with Germany had been lessened by today's conference.

PRIZES TO CHILDREN OF SCHOOLS

T. F. GAFFORD WILL DIVIDE \$300 AMONG THE SCHOOL DISTRICTS TO BE USED FOR LIBRARIES—GOOD PLAN.

T. F. Gafford, a member of the Board of County Commissioners of Murray county, has worked out a plan by which he will have an educational mile of road built at each school house in his district. His district consists of two townships. One of these townships has five schools and the other has seven. Murray county has mountainous districts, and while road-building material is plentiful, much work will be required to put these roads in good condition. Mr. Gafford has planned to offer \$300 in prizes to the school districts, \$150 to each township. In the township of five schools, the school which builds the best mile of road will receive \$50, the second \$40, the third \$30 and the balance, \$15; while in the township of seven schools, the one building the best mile of road will receive \$40, the second \$30, the third \$25 and the rest \$15. Mr. Gafford will have the road surveyed, the grade stakes driven, and will build the culverts. In other words, all the work that requires the expenditure of money Mr. Gafford will do out of the road funds of the county, and the rest of the work is to be done by the boys and girls of the school districts. In addition to these prizes, which have been offered by Mr. Gafford, he will solicit prizes from progressive business men and wealthy citizens and from farmers whose lands will be benefited by the road work.

The announcement of the plans has created a great deal of road enthusiasm among the children of his commissioner's district, and they are eagerly awaiting the opportunity to vie with one another in building roads to capture the prize money. Mr. Gafford hopes to put this same plan in operation year after year until his portion of the county is gridironed with a system of the best roads in the state. He was here last night en route to Milburn, where he was called to meet with officials of the Oklahoma, Texas and Gulf Highway association.

Yesterday afternoon while Mr. and Mrs. Forrest Ramsey were taking a nap after dinner, their home was entered by a negro boy, Zeb Hurt, and a diamond was taken. The diamond was in a brooch, and after it was missed, Sheriff Garrett was notified of the loss, and immediately took charge of the case. He notified all jewelers and pawnbrokers to be on the watch for the missing stone, and late yesterday the negro came to the store of P. B. Tarver with the diamond and requested that it be set in a ring.

The stone had been removed from the brooch and the negro wanted it set in a ring, the mounting of which he had, and which was also stolen from the Ramsey home.

The negro was detained while the officers were sent for, and he is now in the county jail to await a hearing.

NEGRO STEALS A VALUABLE DIAMOND

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FALLS COUNTY WET

Marlin, Texas, July 16.—Complete returns from the Falls county local option election yesterday gave the wets 439 majority.

BIG SHIPS THROUGH CANAL.

Large Battleships of United States Pass Through Panama.

Panama, July 16.—The large United States battleships today for the first time are passing through the Panama canal. They are the Missouri, Ohio and Wisconsin, and are carrying cadets to the exposition at San Francisco.

HANGED FOR WIFE MURDER.

Last Meal of Condemned Man Was Half Bar of Soap.

St. Louis, Mo., July 16.—William H. Sprouse was hanged here today for the murder of his wife. He maintained his innocence to the last. His last request was to see his six children, who had testified against him, but the request was refused.

Last night he ate a half bar of soap and just before the hanging he tried to cut his throat with a sharpened steel spring.

YEOMEN SPEND AN ENJOYABLE EVENING

LOCAL LODGE HAS OPEN HOUSE AT ODD FELLOWS' HALL LAST NIGHT—NOTABLES OF THE ORDER WERE PRESENT.

The Yeomen social, which was given at Odd Fellows' hall last night, was a success in every particular, and everybody seemed to enjoy themselves.

The program was a nice one. Thad Baker acted as chairman, and the first number on the program was the welcome address by J. C. Crosby, foreman of the homestead. Other numbers on the program were: An address on "Fraternity" by Rev. Burns of the Christian church, which was a splendid talk on the fraternity spirit.

A solo by Miss Gladys Holden, with Mrs. Daisy Maud Webb-Hammonds as accompanist; after which Hon. C. E. Stallop, the grand master of ceremonies (vice-president), of Des Moines, Iowa, told of the order in general, and what it is doing over the entire United States. It was one of the most enlightening speeches ever made on fraternity and brotherly love, on the teachings of Yeomenry.

The meeting was attended by about 250 people, consisting of the young as well as the middle aged of the city. Cake, cream and punch was served by a nice, accommodating bunch of young ladies.

The local homestead is one of the liveliest crowd of people in the city. They have arranged to give a social meeting each month, and no doubt it will be in great favor with the young people of the city.

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THAW RELEASED ON BIG BOND

JUSTICE HENDRICK OF THE NEW YORK SUPREME COURT TODAY UPHELD JURY VERDICT.

CROWDS CHEER HIM

State is Expected to Appeal From Decision Granting Thaw Freedom on Bond—Alone in Elevator Cage When Officer Was Shut Out.

New York, July 16.—Supreme Court Justice Hendrick today upheld the jury verdict declaring Harry K. Thaw sane, and Thaw received his freedom under thirty-five thousand dollars' bond.

Thaw spent his last night in the Ludlow street jail last night, and this morning eagerly awaited the decision of Justice Hendrick, which meant freedom under bond or his return to Matteawan.

When Thaw was taken from the sheriff's office yesterday it happened that he was pushed into an elevator whose door was closed before a deputy sheriff could enter. Realizing that he was unguarded, Thaw commanded the elevator attendant to go back and admit a deputy.

"I don't want anybody to think I am trying to escape," he explained.

State Makes Appeal

New York, July 16.—The state today gave notice of appeal in the Thaw case. The state attorney general, however, announced that this appeal may never be taken. Thaw went to Jersey City by automobile, where the sheriff formally released him.

POULTRYMEN TO EXHIBIT THIS FALL

WILL ARRANGE TO HAVE EXHIBIT SOME TIME IN OCTOBER—THEY WILL RAISE PREMIUMS BY SUBSCRIPTION.

The Carter County Poultry association will have an exhibit, here some time this fall, but they have not definitely decided upon the date yet.

W. H. Berry, president of the association, stated this morning that the poultrymen were very much disappointed at the action of the Board of County Commissioners in turning down the request for one hundred dollars, as provided by law for the purpose of advancing the poultry industry of the county, at their last meeting. "We went before the county commissioners," said Mr. Berry, and they assured our committee that our petition was according to law and that they would authorize the estimate to go before the excise board. Imagine our surprise when we read the report of the last meeting of the commissioners that our request had not been allowed, after it had been especially promised to us.

"I don't know what the object of the commissioners was in doing this, but we will have some sort of an exhibit here this year and see what can be done another year toward getting what every county is entitled to under the law. Our association desires to succeed, and we are going to make an effort to make it a success."

The local association is composed of about 75 members at present, but is growing with every meeting. The exhibit this fall will be announced later as soon as the premium lists can be arranged, and the program decided upon. The only manner in which premiums can be paid this year is through popular subscription, but the poultrymen say they will take care of that feature with what help the business men feel like donating.